COACHELLA VALLEY MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY

Regular Meeting – March 10, 2008, 3:00 PM 73-710 Fred Waring Drive, Conference Room 115 Palm Desert, CA 92260

Tele-conference location:

State of California Department of Finance State Capitol, Room 1145 Sacramento, CA 95814

AGENDA

1.0 Call to Order & Introductions

2.0 Approval of Minutes of January 14, 2008 meeting

3.0 Public Comments on Items Not on the Agenda

At this time any member of the public may address the Governing Board on any item not on the agenda. The Board cannot take action on an item not on the agenda, but it can place it on the agenda for a future meeting. For items on the agenda, there will be an opportunity to speak when that item is heard. The Chair may limit the time for each speaker. Any written material may be submitted to the person taking minutes.

4.0 <u>Closed Session – One matter is scheduled.</u>

One matter is scheduled regarding the Attorney General's report as to whether there is a legal prohibition against proceeding with Grant #50 to the Friends of the Desert Mountains. This matter pertains to potential litigation. Pursuant to Government Code sections 11126 (a)(1), 11126 (e)(1) and 11126.3(a) the Board may hold a closed session to discuss and take possible action on personnel matters and/or receive advice of counsel on pending or potential litigation. In addition, pursuant to Government Code section 11126 (c) 7 (A) the Board may meet in closed session with its negotiator prior to the purchase or sale of real property by or for the state body to give instructions to its negotiator regarding the price and terms of payment for the purchase or sale. Confidential memoranda related to these issues may be considered during such closed session discussions.

5.0 Public Hearing Items

- Resolution 2008-03 approving a grant to the Center for Natural Lands Management to assist with the acquisition of 80 acres in the Edom Hill area. [See Attachment 1.] (NOTE: Any member of the public may address the Governing Board on this item.)
- 5.2 Resolution 2008-04 approving an extension of the grant timeline and reducing the funding amount for Grant 045 to the Friends of the Desert Mountains to assist with the acquisition of land in the Stubbe Canyon area, linking the Santa Rosa and San Jacinto Mountains National Monument in the San Jacinto Mountains with the

San Gorgonio Wilderness in the San Bernardino Mountains. [See Attachment 2.] (NOTE: Any member of the public may address the Governing Board on this item.)

- 5.3 Resolution 2008-05 approving an extension of the grant timeline and reducing the funding amount for Grant 048 to the Friends of the Desert Mountains to assist with the acquisition of land in Section 30, between the Indio Hills and Joshua Tree National Park [See Attachment 3.] (NOTE: Any member of the public may address the Governing Board on this item.)
- Resolution 2008-06 approving construction and potential granting of a trail easement on property acquired by the Friends of the Desert Mountains with a local assistance grant from the Conservancy. [See Attachment 4.] (NOTE: Any member of the public may address the Governing Board on this item.)
- 5.5 Resolution 2008-07 approving a contract with the Coachella Valley Conservation Commission for Acquisitions Manager services. [See Attachment 5.] (NOTE: Any member of the public may address the Governing Board on this item.)

6.0 <u>Discussion/Information items</u>

6.1 Conflict of Interest reporting, Form 700. (Reminder to complete the form.)

7.0 Reports

- 7.1 Written reports from staff [See Attachment 6.]
- 7.2 Attorney General's Report [Oral report as needed.]
- 7.3 Board Member comments and reports from Conservancy member agencies. This is an opportunity for any of the Governing Board Members to present a report on matters of interest regarding the agency he or she represents.

8.0 Adjourn to the May 12, 2008 meeting.

*NOTICE OF TELECONFERENCE MEETING:

One member of the Conservancy Board, Anne Sheehan, will attend the meeting via teleconference. The location of this teleconference site is open to the public and accessible to the disabled.

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